

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday 17th September 2017

South Dublin Radio Club

South Dublin radio club will be going back in time...by 30 minutes. For the past few months the club has been meeting at 8:30pm every Tuesday. From this week onwards the club will return to the 8pm start time. This means talks and events will start a little earlier and the club will close to the public at 10pm. The South Dublin Radio Club welcomes all visitors, SWLs and operators. The club meets at the Ballyroan community centre on the Marian Road in Rathfarnham.. For additional information please visit their website www.southdublinradioclub.ie

South Eastern Amateur Radio Group

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will be QRV as EI2WSVR from The Waterford & Suir Valley Railway station Kilmeaden Co. Waterford on Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th of September. This is to coincide with the Railways On the Air Weekend. The Waterford and Suir Valley Railway Company is a community heritage project. The project has enabled the magic of rails golden age to be brought to life in Kilmeaden. A heritage narrow gauge railway runs along 17 kilometers of the abandoned Waterford to Dungarvan line. The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group would like to thank the manager Maria Kyte and all the staff of The Waterford & Suir Valley Railway for all their help and allowing us access to do this event each year. For more information, please see www.wsvrailway.ie

The South Eastern Amateur Radio Group will be holding “An introduction To Amateur Radio” course on Monday the 2nd of October at 7.30pm sharp in the Roanmore Social and Sports Centre, Cleaboy Road, Waterford. There will be two further classes on the 9th and 16th at the same venue and time. This will be an elementary type course designed to introduce potential candidates to the full Harmonised Amateur Radio Examination Certificate (HAREC) study course. It is intended for those who might like to study for the Amateur Radio exam but feel unsure if they have the ability to complete a full course. Places are limited and must be booked. For more info or to book a place please contact Sean EI2HZB on 083 1379764 or via email to “proffice /at/ searg /dot/ ie”

For anyone that wishes to find out more about the South Eastern Amateur Radio Group and its activities you can come along to any of their meetings. You can check

their website www.searg.ie and you can also join them on Facebook and follow them on Twitter.

Southern Ireland Repeater Group

Earlier this year the Southern Ireland Repeater Group began building their first digital voice repeater which consisted of interfacing an MMDVM board with a Motorola MTR2000 UHF repeater. It has taken a few months to complete and after been on test in Waterford City the group now have the repeater installed in it's new permanent location at Carronadavderg (301m) near Clashmore in West Waterford. The installation took place on Friday July 28th. On site were Neil EI3JE, Gareth EI7FZB, John EI8JA and John EI8IR. It's callsign is EI7CDD, output power 30w and it is capable of DMR, DStar, Fusion (C4FM) and Analog operation. Operating frequency is 439.650 MHz with a shift of -9 MHz (DVU52) which is one of the 70cm channels allocated to digital voice in Ireland and the UK. Information regarding this repeater and the groups analog network can be found at <https://sirnrepeaters.blogspot.ie> Reports can be emailed to "sirnrepeaters /at/ gmail /dot/ com"

DX News

Chris EI6HZB has been reported active on SSB from Cairo, Egypt in the past couple of weeks using the callsign SU/DM4DX. Logs are uploaded regularly to Logbook of The World.

Cambridge University Wireless Society members will be QRV from the St Pierre and Miquelon Islands until 24th September. Look for them using FP/homecall on the HF bands. The IOTA reference is NA-032.

Leo PP1CZ will be back on the island of Fernando de Noronha from 22nd – 27th September. He will reactivate his PY0F/PP1CZ callsign on all bands 80 -10m on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSLs go direct to his home call.

Rod EA7JX will be in Djelfa, Algeria from 18th - 25th September and will operate as 7U1X on all bands. He will also be taking part in the CQ WW RTTY contest on 23rd - 24th September. QSLs go via his home call.

Items for inclusion in next week's Radio News can be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam /at/ irts / dot / ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Urgent news items for the radio news may be telephoned to the radio news editor, Mark EI6HPB on 086 355 2370.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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